

RAILWAY RATTLE.

The most active center of railroad work during recent years has been the southern gulf states.

Every lady passenger who calls at Niles, a country station on the Michigan Central railroad, receives a bouquet of cut flowers as a gift from the company.

Gen. Frederick Funston, whose rife restored order in the ruined streets of San Francisco, worked for some years on the railway as a ticket collector.

As the result of frequent railway accidents between Brussels and Namur, many passengers by that route now wear large cards bearing their names and addresses pinned to their coats, in order that there may be no difficulty in establishing their identity.

Railway men employed on the Central London railway (better known as the "Tuppenny Tube") are furnished with curious-looking masks which set as smoke respirators, and, in case of fire, enable the wearer to breathe in dense smoke without discomfort.

The Lackawanna Railroad company has just retired from active service "Ben" Knox, one of the old-time employees. Knox worked for this company 37 years, and has run nearly every train on the road. He has driven his engine more than 1,000,000 miles.

Attractive names for towns to be built up along their extensions are being sought by railroad men in the west. Owing to recent disclosures the names of leading public men and private individuals are not as welcome for these purposes as they were in the past, but as individuality is sought it may be that Indian names will figure to a large extent in the nomenclature of these new towns.

A novel use of compressed air is made by railway companies in the southern states of America. When the loads of cotton are being taken to the coast there is always danger of their becoming damaged through sparks from the locomotives. To prevent this the locomotive boilers are filled with compressed air. A trainload of several thousand bales of cotton can be hauled by these locomotives at a rate of 12 miles an hour, although no fire whatever is used in working them.

MOTOR CARS MADE IN INDIA.

Factory at Bangalore Turns Out Cars Made Entirely by Native Labor.

Hindu philosophical genius has long been famous; Hindu mechanical genius is now developing. A company is about to be floated for the purpose of introducing a service of motor omnibuses in the neighborhood of Poona, India. India is also in a fair way of placing itself beyond any position of dependence on cars made by foreign industry, since motor cars are now being successfully produced by native Indian labor. The seat of this Indian industry is situated at Bangalore and employs some 150 hands, who have been engaged in turning out cycles and, latterly, motor cars. A signal demonstration of the company's abilities in this direction has been recently afforded on the occasion of the visit of the prince of Wales to Mysore, where a motor car, constructed entirely by native Indian labor, was placed at the disposal of his royal highness. The car in question is described as three seated and of six and a half horse power, with water cooled engine. The finish throughout is equal to the higher grade cars imported into the country, while the cost is about \$350 less. Its speed has been registered at 30 miles an hour. The same company is also stated to have instituted a record in native bicycle construction, turning out on one occasion three fully plated machines with special requirements in 35 hours.

HOBOS IN CALIFORNIA.

Railway Employees Are Put to Their Wits' End to Cope with Them.

Never in the history of railroading have the trainmen of the Southern Pacific company had to contend with as many hoboes as have been stealing their way over the lines during the past few weeks, says a Truckee (Cal.) correspondent of the Sacramento Bee. Many of the brakemen claim that they are unable to cope with the situation, and that if they attempted to keep the tramps off it would be impossible to run their trains on schedule time.

It is nothing to see trains pull in at this station carrying "blind baggage" passengers as thick on the car platforms as bees at the entrance of a beehive. The railroad men do all in their power to force and compel these individuals to keep off, but they are traveling in "flocks" of 15 to 25. To keep them off the railroad company would have to carry guards, with orders to shoot when a command is disobeyed.

As high as 50 hoboes have been seen at one time in the Truckee yards. When a freight train pulls out a conductor and his two brakemen are as powerless to free their trains from this element as a lamb to get away from a pack of wolves.

The Bible in China.

Three committees of native Chinese and foreign missionary scholars are now working at Shanghai to prepare three new versions of the Bible with which to make an appeal to all classes of the awakening celestial empire. One is high classical, another the low classical and a third the mandarin colloquial version. The last is the one which will reach the greatest number, as it is the spoken language of three-fourths of the people.

Abattoir for Horses.

It is reported that the consumption of horse meat in Neuremberg, where a few years ago it was quite insignificant, has now increased so greatly that the facilities for horse slaughtering at the municipal abattoir have become insufficient, and the city council has been obliged to consider the construction of a new abattoir for horses, the cost of which is estimated at \$43,000.

Hot Pursuit.

Mrs. Naylor—What is your husband's pursuit in life?
Mrs. Suburban—The 7:40 train.—Judy.

BEFORE THE TRAIN LEFT.

Directions for Proper Care of Matters Domestic Had to Be Given.

The lady of the good intentions sat in the union depot awaiting the departure of the train for Elmore, scheduled to leave at 5:01 p. m. She was sitting beside her sister and two children, and of nervous temperament was observed to be restlessly moving about in her chair, relates the Toledo Blade.

"Norwalk division east," yelled the stationmaster, as he strode across the big marble floor.

"Good-by, good-by," smiled the lady of good intentions to her sister, as she grasped the two children and stepped toward the gate. There was one loving embrace and a kiss.

"Don't forget to wind the clock to-night," she admonished.

"All right," rejoined her sister.

"Norwalk division east," came in stentorian tones from the man in the blue suit with big brass buttons on his coat.

"Say, Mary, remember the cat. Feed her," again the traveler said.

"All right, sister; I won't forget."

"And say, Marie, lock all the doors. Burglars might get into the house," almost stunned the crowd that was listening to the dialogue with amusement.

"Norwalk division east," expostulated the station master, who knew the woman wanted to board the train.

"Only one minute, lady."

"Heavens, I forgot my bundle!" she finally groaned, and rushing into the depot, quickly secured it.

"Train, train!" the woman tearfully supplicated, as the big locomotive was slowly steaming out. "Conductor!" she cried.

But the Norwalk division east had gone.

GASOLINE CAR'S RECORD.

Data Showing What Was Accomplished by a Lengthy Run on Rails.

Early this year George H. Webb, chief engineer of the Michigan Central railroad, made an inspection trip over his system with a gasoline car made especially for railroad work. The data showing what was accomplished with this car is interesting, says the Manufacturers' Record.

The total distance traveled was 4,347 miles, and the total amount of gasoline used was 231 gallons, or an average of 19.7 miles per gallon of gasoline. The records show that on the run from Jackson to Allegan, a distance of 175 miles, round trip, only 7 1/2 gallons of gasoline were used, or 23.3 miles per gallon. The total cost per mile, including lubricating oil, battery cells and everything excepting wages of man in charge, was nine-tenths of a cent. Most any railroad man can figure out that this is quite a saving as compared with a steam locomotive pulling a private car.

This gasoline car has its advantages also because of its ability to attain a high rate of speed and maintain it on a long run. The trip from Marshall to Allegan, 66.4 miles, was made in one hour and 40 minutes, or at the rate of 40 miles an hour. The distance from Tekonsha to Harris, 29 miles, was made in 45 minutes, and the best run of the entire trip was made from South Haven to Kalamazoo, a distance of 39.6 miles in 45 minutes, or at the rate of 52.94 miles per hour.

TRAINS WERE SOME SLOW.

Man Died Natural Death Before Engine Got Up as Far as His Knees.

One man had just told the story involving a suggestion to the conductor of a slow train to take the cowcatcher off the locomotive and attach it to the rear of the train on the theory that the train couldn't possibly run over a cow and that a cow might stray into the rear door of the last coach and bite the passengers if not restrained by a cowcatcher.

"I saw a man run down by a locomotive once," said a melancholy stranger. "I was on the road from Carbondale to Selig. At Richland one man decided to get off the train and walk. He had proceeded about 15 miles when the train overtook him. He was knocked down and the train in a leisurely sort of a fashion, proceeded to run over him. The man spoke a few words and expressed the wish that \$5,000 accident insurance that he carried be given to his sweet heart. But the poor girl never got the money. Before the engine got up to the man's knees rheumatism set in and the poor fellow died a natural death. It being an accident policy, the girl couldn't collect the money."

Complete Surprise.

P. P. Johnston, president of the National Trotting association, said recently:

"All sorts of fakes are adopted by crooks in order to disguise a trotter with a good record. Then the trotter, believed to be a beginner, gets enormous odds, and when she wins—what a surprise."

Mr. Johnston lighted a cigar.

"It is an unpleasant, unexpected surprise," he said. "It is like the surprise a friend of mine met with on a train in West Virginia."

"As the train traversed Wise county my friend, entranced with the scenery, stuck his head out of the window."

"The brakeman hurried to him and said:

"Keep your head inside, can't you?"

"What for?" asked my friend.

"So you won't damage any of the iron works on the bridges," said the brakeman."—N. Y. Tribune.

Involved Vociferosity.

"Gentlemen of the jury," erupted the attorney for the plaintiff, addressing the 12 Arkansian peers who were sitting in judgment and on their respective shoulder blades in a damage suit against a grasping corporation for killing a cow. "If the train had been running as slow as it should have been run, if the bell had been rung as it ought to have been rung, or the whistle had been blown as it should have been blown, none of which was done, the cow would not have been injured when she was killed!"—Puck.

TILE DRAINAGE.

Six Distinct Benefits to Be Derived When Dealing with Clayey Soils.

The benefits of tile drainage, or tiling, as it is commonly called, are most pronounced in clay or clay loam soils, and especially so when these lands are nearly level, although clay lands are rolling enough to quickly run off all water falling on them, are nevertheless greatly helped by tiling.

Let us confine our thoughts to these rolling clay soils. If there are six distinct benefits in tiling these, there cannot be less on level lands.

First—If these rolling lands are well tilled they may be worked quickly after a hard rain, much time saved and better crops secured. The land will never be so hard, but will be pliable and easily tilled.

Second—In seasons of drought the crops do not suffer when properly cultivated, as the moisture rising from the lowered water table is sufficient.

Third—In seasons of excessive rain the fertility is not washed off the land but enters at once into the loose, open soil, where the fertility is left while all surplus water descends to the tile.

Fourth—As the water finds a quiet way to the tile anywhere on properly drained land, the air will follow, and the soil will be oxygenized and fitted for plant food. In other words, it fertilizes the soil, and puts the fertility where we can so well put it, just where the roots of the plant can best find it.

Fifth—Tiled soil is much warmer and the surface is some ten degrees warmer during the growing season. This lengthens the season at both ends and makes intensive farming easy.

Sixth—The fertility you put on tiled land is more productive. You never need fall in getting a good seeding of clover on such land, and we all know what this means.

These are positive benefits, and I have not named all.

SMUT GRASS.

Species Which Originated in India and Which Is Evidently Valuable for Forage.

This grass originated in India, but has now been carried to many other lands. It is found quite abundantly in the southern states. It is called smut.

SMUT GRASS (SPOROBIUS INDICUS).

grass from the fact that its heads become covered with a blackish smut after flowering. It grows luxuriantly on uncultivated lands, and cattle and horses eat it with evident relish. To all appearances, says the Farmers' Review, it is a valuable grass. All parts of the plant are plant and succulent. If it is closely pastured it sprouts again quickly and has a long growing season, lasting from May till the coming of heavy frosts. It usually grows in low and small tufts. As yet it has not been largely cultivated, but scientists express the belief that it may become very valuable under cultivation.

FOR PULLING OLD POSTS.

Simple, But Effective Device Which Can Be Rigged Up in a Few Minutes.

A simple, yet effective, device for pulling old fence posts is shown in the sketch. By hitching one or two horses to the chain and placing a brace solidly in the ground, almost any post may be drawn with little difficulty. Place a stone or stake under the lower end of the brace if the ground is soft. This may be replaced by a timber if many posts are to be drawn. The Farm and Home cautions the user to be sure to hitch the horse far enough away so that the post will not strike him as it is drawn from the ground.

BITS ABOUT THINGS.

Time to decide whether you will use Bordeaux on the potatoes. Honestly grade your berries and you can make your own price.

Didst ever notice that the corn plants are tougher in the afternoon than in the morning? Safer to cultivate them. Fact.

If your grocer won't pay a fancy price for fancy berries send them to some other market where they will be appreciated.

Plant early and late varieties so as to have them at different times—bunch beans for early use and pole beans for late.

Many people think that the tip and butt kernels must be planted to insure the filling out of the ears, but such is not the case.

There is no need of having hard hoid if the ground was properly prepared before planting, and the hoe is not out of too long after the plants come up.

FACTS GUARANTEED.

Neuritis and Anemia are Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

For nearly a generation the people of this country have known Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, during which time proof of thousands of cures by this remedy has been published and confirmed and not one person has been harmed in the slightest degree by their use. The pills contain no opiate, narcotic or stimulant, nor any drug which could injure the most delicate constitution.

"For over a year," says Miss Charlotte Van Salisbury, of Oustleton, N. Y., "I suffered from neuritis and palpitation of the heart. My skin was pale and sallow and I was troubled with dizziness, fainting spells and fits of indigestion. I was very nervous and would start at the slightest sound. At times a great weakness would come over me and on one occasion my limbs gave way under me and I fell to the sidewalk."

"Of course I was treated by our local physician and also consulted a noted doctor at Albany, but nothing they gave me seemed to benefit me. One day I read in a newspaper about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and I immediately decided to try them. I soon felt much better and my color had begun to return. I continued using the pills and by the time I had taken eight boxes I was entirely cured."

"My sister, Sarah Van Salisbury, suffered terribly from anemia. She was pale and thin and was so weak that she would become a victim of consumption. She tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and in a short time she began to gain in strength and weight. She is now strong and well and we both heartily recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to anyone who is ill with blood."

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BRIGHT BITS BY THE WITS.

Will & Must hold a mortgage on success.

The busybody butts in without any ifs or buts.

Charity begins at home, but if it is the real brand it soon outgrows its native place.

It is hard to work much confidence in a man who wears a ring on his middle finger.

A man's knowledge cannot be judged by the fool things he says when in love.

The golden calf will always be worshipped, though it wear the tail of a monkey or the ears of an ass.

Allen S. Olmsted Wins in Court—The Foot-Ease Trade-Mark Sustained.

Buffalo, N. Y.—The Supreme Court has granted a permanent injunction with costs against Paul B. Hudson and others of New York City, restraining them from making or selling a foot powder which the court declares is an imitation and infringement on "Foot-Ease," now so largely advertised and sold over the country. The owner of the trademark, "Foot-Ease," is Allen S. Olmsted, of Le Roy, N. Y., and the decision of this suit upholds his trademark and renders all parties liable who fraudulently attempt to profit by the extensive "Foot-Ease" advertising in placing on the market the spurious and similar appearing preparation involved in the case. This the court declares was designed in imitation and infringement of the genuine "Foot-Ease" trademark rights. Each package of the genuine Allen's Foot-Ease has the facsimile signature of Allen S. Olmsted on its yellow label.

Feel the Ground Slipping.

First Neighbor—The snobs over there on the corner are losing their money.

Second Neighbor—How do you know?

First Neighbor—Why, because they have begun to bow to all the neighbors, and they never noticed anyone around here before.—Detroit Free Press.

The extraordinary popularity of fine white goods this summer makes the choice of starch a matter of great importance. Defiance Starch, being free from all injurious chemicals, is the only one which is safe to use on fine fabrics. Its great strength as a stiffener makes half the usual quantity of starch necessary, with the result of perfect finish, equal to that when the goods were new.

Women Want Much.

Skoller—Of course, the generic term "man" includes the women—Maryat—Not always.

Skoller—Oh yes. You see—Maryat—Nonsense! For instance, the sentence, "Man wants but little here below," would be ridiculous in that case.—Washington Star.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the system by entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price, 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Showing Signs of Recovery.

"How is your new servant, Mrs. Upmore?" I heard she was ill."

"She's improving. She was able to sit up this morning and give notice."—Philadelphia Record.

Give Defiance Starch a fair trial—try it for both hot and cold starching, and if you don't think you do better work, in less time and at smaller cost, return it and your grocer will give you back your money.

Religion is used as a cloak in some families, and you may have noticed that there is generally a coat of dust on the family Bible in such homes.

Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar is good quality all the time. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

It is seldom that revenge is as sweet as the receipt indicated that it would be.—Puck.

Children's Soothing Syrup.

For children's teething, soothes the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. See a bottle.

The successful author's train of thoughts is a pay train.

TORTURED WITH GRAVEL.

Since Using Doan's Kidney Pills, Not a Stone Has Formed.

Capt. S. L. Crute, Adj. Watts Camp, U. C. V., Roanoke, Va., says: "I suffered a long, long time with my back, and felt draggy and listless and all the time. I lost from my usual weight, 225, to 170. Urinary passages were too frequent and I had to get up often at night. I had headaches and dizzy spells also, but my worst suffering was from renal colic. After I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I passed a gravel stone as big as a bean. Since then I have never had an attack of gravel, and have picked up to my former health and weight. I am a well man, and give Doan's Kidney Pills credit for it."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

TWICE TOLD TALES.

In an English court, recently, a man was fined £2 for contempt of court. He offered a £ note in payment, but was told by the clerk that he had no change. "Oh, keep the change," was the reply; "I'll take it out in contempt."

A Frenchwoman was complaining to her husband that he was too much of a bookworm, that he retired too often to his study, leaving her to spend many evenings alone. "I wish," she ended, plaintively, "that I were a book. Then I might always have your company." "In that case, my dear," the Frenchman answered, "I'd wish you were an almanac. Then I could change you once a year."

Something like a panic prevails in British court circles on an intimation from the shah of Persia that he hopes to be able to pay England another visit soon.

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CURES ALL KIDNEY DISEASES. RHEUMATISM, BRUISES, BURNS, SCALDS, ETC.

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